



State of California

LITTLE HOOVER COMMISSION

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NOTICE OF MEETING

On Thursday, February 26, 2009, the Little Hoover Commission will conduct a public hearing on infrastructure policy and finance. The hearing will begin at 9 a.m. in Room 437 of the State Capitol in Sacramento.

In this study, the Commission seeks to learn about the state's process for identifying, selecting and prioritizing infrastructure projects; methods of financing and delivering those projects; and, demand management policies and practices to ensure efficient and effective use of resources. At this hearing, the Commission will identify challenges and discuss the state's existing process for planning and facilitating infrastructure development in California.

The Commission will hear testimony about the problems and potential reforms for infrastructure development from the director of research at the Public Policy Institute of California and the director of the Institute of Urban and Regional Development at the University of California, Berkeley. The executive director of the Collaboratory for Research on Global Projects at Stanford University will discuss innovations in other states and countries. The president of the California Business Roundtable will provide testimony on the role of the business community. A panel of experts representing the Professional Engineers of California Government and the California Conference of Carpenters will discuss the role of labor in infrastructure development. Next, the Commission will hear testimony from representatives of Governor Schwarzenegger's office on the administration's efforts to improve California's infrastructure development process. Finally, staff from the Department of Finance will discuss California's current planning process.

There will be an opportunity for public comment at the end of the hearing. The Commission also encourages written comments.

All public notices for meetings are on the Commission's Web site, www.lhc.ca.gov. If you need reasonable accommodation due to a disability, please contact Stuart Drown at (916) 445-2125 or littlehoover@lhc.ca.gov by Thursday, February 19, 2009.

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Problems and Potential Reforms for Infrastructure Development

1. Ellen Hanak, Director of Research and Senior Fellow, Public Policy Institute of California
2. David Dowall, Professor, Institute of Urban and Regional Development, University of California, Berkeley

Innovations in Other States and Countries

3. Ryan Orr, Executive Director, Collaboratory for Research on Global Projects, Stanford University

Role of the Business Community

4. Bill Hauck, President and Chief Executive, California Business Roundtable

Role of Labor in Infrastructure Development

5. Ted Toppin, Consultant, Professional Engineers of California Government
6. Daniel Curtin, Director, California Conference of Carpenters

Recent Efforts to Improve California's Infrastructure Development Process

7. David Crane, Special Advisor on Jobs and Economic Growth, Office of the Governor
8. Cynthia Bryant, Director, Governor's Office of Planning and Research

California's Current Planning Process

9. Karen Finn, Program Budget Manager, Department of Finance

Business Meeting Agenda

(The Commission will consider agenda items I-VI at approximately noon. The precise time will vary depending upon the testimony of witnesses and will be determined at the discretion of the chair.)

- I. Business Meeting Minutes from January 22, 2009
- II. Draft Report – Biennial Report
- III. Schedule/Project Selection
- IV. Subcommittee Reports
- V. Implementation Activity
- VI. Reports from Bureau of State Audits